(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI M. VEERAPPA MOILY): (a) and (b) The Government is considering to bring in a comprehensive legislation on the issue of accountability of Judges wherein it is also proposed to deal with the subject of declaration of assets and liabilities by Judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts.

As regards administrators and people's representatives; information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Setting up of family courts

1915. SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the States and Union Territory Administrations have set up family courts in all the districts under their territorial jurisdiction;

(b) if not, the States and UTs lagging behind in this regard alongwith the number of districts where family courts have not been established so far; and

(c) what remedial measures Government proposes to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI M. VEERAPPA MOILY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) A Statement indicating the number of Family courts functioning State-wise is enclosed. No Family Courts are functional in other States/UTs. Information regarding the number of districts where Family Courts have not been established is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) All the State Governments have been requested from time to time to set up Family Courts in their State so as to cover all the Districts.

Statement

Number of family courts functional as reported by the concerned high Court/State Government

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Number of Family Courts functional in the State
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	27
2.	Jharkhand	8
3.	Maharashtra*	4
4.	Orissa	2
5.	Puducherry	1

1	2	3
6.	Sikkim	1
7.	Tripura	3
8.	Uttarakhand	7
9.	West Bengal	2
10.	Bihar	30
11.	Madhya Pradesh	15
12.	Kerala	16
13.	Manipur	1
14.	Karnataka	10
15.	Nagaland	2
16.	Gujarat	9
17.	Chhattisgarh	14
18.	Assam	2
19.	Rajasthan	6
20.	Uttar Pradesh	15
	TOTAL	175

*The Judge strength is 18 as reported by Government of Maharashtra.

Divorce cases

1916. SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of divorce cases has increased manifold;

(b) if so, the details of such cases pending in the family and other civil courts as on date, State-wise; and

(c) what remedial measures Government has taken or proposes to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI M. VEERAPPA MOILY): (a) to (c) Data on the number and pendency of divorce cases is not maintained centrally. However, all the State Governments and UT Administrations have been requested to set-up at least one Family Court in each District with a view to reducing the pendency of such cases.